

## SLAYING OF WIFE IS BLAMED UPON UNSIGNED NOTES

DEADHAM, Mass., Dec. 26.—Two anonymous letters, given to the police today, are believed to be responsible for the jealous rage which drove Dr. Walter Raleigh Amesbury to kill his talented wife during the Christmas dinner in her mother's home in Hyde Park.

Both of these letters were received last week, and were shown to some of his closest friends. The first letter was unsigned, and read as follows:

"Dr. Amesbury: I know for a fact that your wife does not ever intend to live with you again. Get wise."

The second letter was received by one of the faculty of Roonoke College, in which Mrs. Amesbury was a teacher, and read in part: "If you care anything about the reputation of your institution you will dismiss Mrs. Amesbury at once, as she has a character for unenviable."

Mrs. Amesbury told friends that the faculty of the school had ignored the letter, and said she was going to follow up the matter legally herself.

Dr. Amesbury was held without bail, on a charge of murder today.

## TAFT'S MOTHER WROTE OF FAMILY

MILLBURY, Mass., Dec. 26.—Many interesting sidelights are thrown on the Taft family by a history which the mother of the Secretary of War left. This record, just published, contains eulogies of Mrs. Taft's husband, father, and mother, and refers to her son, which shows the pride she took in him.

Of her husband, Alphonso, she says that his fearlessness as a judge probably prevented him from being governor of Ohio. Judge Taft presented a dissenting opinion that the Cincinnati school board had a right to stop the reading of the Bible in public schools.

"When the case went to the supreme court of Ohio," she writes, "this opinion was sustained by the unanimous vote."

"This case arose in his path several times later," the history reads, "and probably prevented his being governor of Ohio. When, however, the storm of prejudice and bigotry had subsided, Judge Taft's reputation as a judge who knew neither fear nor favor inevitably increased."

On his mother's side, the history shows, Secretary Taft is descended from William Torrey, who came from Somerset, England, to Weymouth, Mass., in 1638.

There have been some big men in the family beside the Presidential possessor. The fifth William in the line of descent, Secretary Taft's grandfather, stood 6 feet 7 inches.

## NOTED ASTRONOMER TO LECTURE ON MARS

An event of great interest is promised for Monday afternoon, at 4:30 o'clock, at the Belmont Theater when Prof. David Todd, of Amherst College, director of the recent Lowell expedition to the Andes, will present the results of his observations of the planet Mars, illustrating his lectures with a number of wonderful pictures never before displayed to the public.

Prof. Todd, who holds the chair of astronomy at Amherst, is a scientist of world-wide reputation and has been in charge of a number of expeditions to Africa and Japan for observations of the eclipse. What he has to say of Mars will prove of timely interest and importance not only because of the great attractiveness of the theme, but because of the recognized ability of the lecturer.

## PRESIDENT SENDS \$10 TO BOY FOR CALENDAR

WORCESTER, Mass., Dec. 26.—Persons who send gifts to the President of the United States generally receive pleasantly worded notes of acknowledgment, but none of these letters thus far on record contained what was in the envelope that came to fourteen-year-old Jacob Kriesfeld.

For months the boy worked on a calendar of original design, which he forwarded to the White House just before Christmas. Yesterday he received a note of thanks from the Secretary of State, and in the note a crisp \$10 bill.

## VITAL RECORDS

### Births.

John T. and Frances A. West, boy.

Wilbur H. and Mary L. Beal, girl.

Charles P. and Mabel A. Miller, boy.

David C. and Benva P. Love, boy.

Walker L. and Lilla Marling, girl.

Clarence E. and Leona B. Price, girl.

Salvatore and Teresa Flovino, girl.

Hiram C. and Sarah H. McNelly, boy.

Thomas and Lillian D. Benedetto, girl.

Henry and Theresa Bohnert, girl.

William E. and Jessie Irwin, boy.

Thomas and Lillian D. Benedetto, girl.

Charles M. and Isabelle Andre, girl.

James E. and Agnes E. Redman, boy.

### Deaths.

Ann Reese, 98 years, 1217 T street northwest.

Francis McWood, 65 years, 994 Virginia avenue southwest.

Theodore W. Tyrer, 65 years, 1808 New Hampshire avenue northwest.

Mary Turner, 98 years, 1010 Wisconsin avenue.

Richard A. Frick, 84 years, Government Hospital for Insane.

Robert McPaton, 70 years, 18 G street northwest.

Elmond Schultz, 63 years, Tenleytown, D. C.

Marguerite Faust, 4 years, 827 Pough street northwest.

Infant of James and Maria Phillips, 7 days, Columbia Hospital.

Della McArthur, 58 years, Providence Hospital.

Catherine E. Scheel 55 years, 150 A street northeast.

Edmund McCullough, 23 years, 304 L street southeast.

Thomas McKaig, 7 years, 2420 Pennsylvania avenue northwest.

David Edwards, 33 years, U. S. Soldiers' Home, D. C.

Daniel J. Friel, 43 years, 1212 E street southeast.

Gustave Kahler, 70 years, Providence Hospital.

John Henderson, 7 days, 1419 Fifth street northwest.

John D. Bentley, 5 months, 106 C street northeast.

Infant of John P. and Carroll O'Neill, 10 hours, 1323 Connecticut street northwest.

Thomas L. Anderson, 50 years, 2 Riley place southwest.

## Comes Out of the West To Claim His Schoolday Sweetheart As Bride



MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR L. SOULE.

Mrs. Soule Was Formerly Miss Emily Frances Madison, Daughter of Representative and Mrs. Madison of Kansas.

## Arthur Soule, of Dodge City, Marries Daughter of Representative Madison.

A romance, which had its beginning in Dodge City, Kan., during the childhood years of the bride and bridegroom, culminated yesterday afternoon in the marriage of Miss Emily Frances Madison, daughter of Representative and Mrs. Madison of Kansas, to Arthur L. Soule, of Dodge City.

The ceremony was performed in the Madison apartment at the Congress Hall Hotel, on Capitol Hill. Only the immediate family and a few friends, all of whom were former residents of Dodge City, but who now reside in Washington, were witnesses. The Rev. George

Bailey, of Western Presbyterian Church, officiated.

After the ceremony a wedding dinner was tendered the bride couple and the guests by Representative and Mrs. Madison, after which Mr. and Mrs. Soule left on a late afternoon train for Chicago and other places on a honeymoon.

They will then go to Dodge City and take up their residence. Mr. Soule holding a position there in the division office of the Santa Fe railroad.

The bride is the daughter of Representative and Mrs. Madison, a former marriage. She is 22 years of age, and her husband is 25 years of age.

The couple were married in Dodge City and this is their first marriage. When the bride's father died, Mr. Soule, who was then a student at the University of Kansas, came to Washington to attend the present session of Congress. It was there that Mr. Soule met Miss Madison, and they became engaged.

Those present at the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Grover, Miss Josephine Grover, Miss Louella Grover, Carl Miller, and the bride's immediate family.

## MRS. MARSHALL DEAD AFTER SHORT ILLNESS

On the day she was to have been installed into the highest office within the gift of Nautilus Lodge, of the Order of the Eastern Star, Mrs. J. L. Marshall died suddenly at her home, 1319 Q street northwest, this morning. Mrs. Marshall was the wife of J. L. Marshall, a prominent Washington contractor and past eminent commander of Denola Lodge, Knights Templar.

Some days ago Mrs. Marshall was elected worthy matron of Naomi Lodge, of the Women's Order of Masons, and was to have taken office in Scottish Rite Hall this evening.

Mrs. Marshall had been complaining for several days, and it is supposed she had the grip. Yesterday she complained of feeling ill, and she died this morning at 7 o'clock.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been made.

## Died

SHERIFF—At the residence of her son-in-law, Alexander Hill, East River, at 1 o'clock, Wednesday morning, December 25, 1907, Mrs. MARY A. SHERIFF.

Funeral services from St. Jerome's Church, Hyattsville, at 10 o'clock Friday morning. Interment private.

PERNEY—On Wednesday, December 25, 1907, at George Washington University Hospital, JOHN J. PERNEY, aged thirty-four years.

Funeral private Thursday, December 26, at St. Oliver Cemetery, Washington, D. C.

MANSFIELD—At 6:45 p. m., PHILIP MANSFIELD, beloved husband of Alice S. Mansfield, aged fifty-one years, residence, 1210 Eleventh street southeast, at 2:30 p. m., Saturday, December 25. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

OPPUTT—At 2:30 a. m., December 26, 1907, THOMAS W. OPPUTT, aged eighty-five years.

Funeral from the parlors of G. W. Wise, undertaker, Twenty-ninth and M streets northwest, at 12 m., December 27.

PLANT—Special meeting of Washington Aerie No. 125, Fraternal Order of Eagles, is called for Friday, 1 p. m., December 27, at the Eagles Home to attend the funeral of Bro. E. K. Plant.

J. G. BRITTY, C. C. BEVERIDGE, Secretary.

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## FARMER SHERIFF POWERS WITNESS

Man Who Arrested Jim  
Howard Tells of Visit  
to Governor.

GEORGETOWN, Ky., Dec. 26.—Beverly P. White, former sheriff of Clay county, from whose house at Manchester, during the Baker-Howard feud, Tom Baker was shot down while he was under arrest by the State militia several years ago, was the first witness in the Powers trial today. White, since the breaking up of the Clay county feud, has been living in Clark county, near Winchester.

Jim Howard surrendered to Sheriff White on learning he was indicted for the Goebel murder. White was called to bear out statements of Howard that he went to Frankfort to see Governor Taylor to secure a pardon for killing old man Baker.

## BOOTH TARKINGTON CASE IS CONTINUED IN COURT

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 26.—The several charges against Booth Tarkington, the author, growing out of his altercation with members of the police force Christmas Eve, when he was "gathering local color" for a new story, were continued in the local court today until Saturday.

## POLICEMAN MANSFIELD DIES AFTER 25 YEARS OF SERVICE



PHILIP MANSFIELD,  
Patrolman of Ninth Precinct, Who  
Died Last Night.

## Attacked by Paralysis Sunday, Veteran Suc- cumbs Within Four Days.

Philip Mansfield, a member of the Washington police force for almost twenty-five years, died last night at Providence Hospital. His death was the result of a stroke of paralysis, with which he was attacked last Sunday, the disease affecting his entire left side and extending to his heart.

Mr. Mansfield served for several years as a patrolman at the Sixth precinct under Lieutenant Kelly. He was transferred about nine years ago to the Ninth precinct, where he remained until his removal to the hospital last Sunday.

He was forty-nine years of age, and is survived by his wife and five children, two sons and three daughters, two of whom are married. The residence is at 1210 Eleventh street southeast.

The funeral will be held from the family residence, 1310 Eleventh street southeast, Saturday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. A detail of policemen will act as escort to the remains from the house to Congressional Cemetery, where the veteran peace guardian will be buried.

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Children's Coats, of heavy novelty cloth, trimmed with braids and velvets; double-breasted \$6.00, single-breasted \$5.00. G. T. P.

Children's \$2.00 Fur Sets, consisting of long throw ties and dainty muffs, one of astrakhan, ermine, and ermine. 98c. G. T. P.

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Children's \$2.00 Fur Sets, consisting of long throw ties and dainty muffs, one of astrakhan, ermine, and ermine. 98c. G. T. P.

\$15 Black Broadcloth Coats, hand-trimmed with braids and satin lined. 50 inches long. G. T. P. \$8.95

\$20 Coats, of rich black caracul and pony fur, with velvet collar, lined with satin and velvet, trimmed with wide braids. G. T. P. \$12.95

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Big accumulation of remnants of wash goods, every description, including dress gingham, percale, cotton gingham, flannel, cotton flannel, silkoline, washed cotton, flannel, cretonne, and many other staple materials. Worth 10c to 19c. G. T. P. 4c

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## Special Notices.

THE WASHINGTON MARKET COMPANY, STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Washington Market Company will be held at the office of the company, in Center Market, on 7th st. n.w., in the city of Washington, D. C., at 12 O'CLOCK NOON on the FIRST MONDAY, being the 6th day of January, 1908, to elect three directors to serve the ensuing year; and to act on any other matter within the powers of the corporation that may be brought before the meeting.

EDWARD R. TINKER, President.  
FRANK G. WILKINS, Secretary.  
Washington, D. C., December 17, 1907.  
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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Capital Traction Company for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the company, 25th and M sts. N. W., Washington, D. C., at 10 O'CLOCK A. M. on WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1908. Polls will be open from 10 A. M. until 2 P. M.

H. D. CRAMPTON, G. T. DUNLOP, de24-1st Secretary, President.

OFFICE OF THE FIREMEN'S INSURANCE COMPANY OF WASHINGTON AND GEORGETOWN, 7th & La. Ave. N.W.—The stockholders of the Firemen's Insurance Company of Washington and Georgetown will meet at this office on MONDAY, JANUARY 6, 1908, for the purpose of electing 13 directors for the ensuing year. Polls open at 11 a. m. and close at 12 M. W. M. HOFFMAN, de24-1st Secretary.

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